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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 21, 1998, please amend the application as follows:

## In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of identifying <u>a plurality of substantially identical [an] integrated circuits [circuit] formed on a common substrate, comprising the steps of:</u>

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